



## TOOL | GREAT NEIGHBOURS CONNECT CARDS

The Great Neighbours Connect Cards were developed as a tool for the Red Deer & District Family and Community Support Services Great Neighbours initiative.



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Great Neighbours is an initiative connecting neighbours on rural or urban blocks within communities in Central Alberta. Volunteers are currently being recruited and trained as Block Connectors to help neighbours get to know one another better. During the process of developing the agenda for the Block Connector training sessions, we found that we needed an ice breaker activity which could be used by the Block Connectors at their neighbourhood events as well. We came up with the Connect Cards that ask thought provoking questions designed to build deeper social connections among neighbours.

Since their development, several local coffee shops have expressed an interest in the cards and have placed them on their tables to promote the initiative and encourage their patrons to connect with each other. The holders were created to display the cards on the tables. We have also placed the holders and cards in our office meeting rooms and they have been frequently used to establish connection and common understanding at the beginning of meetings.

